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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

A distributed network of interactive agents is provided ~~disclosed.~~ The wherein
remote agents interact with a central computer and with one another through an object based
parallel modeling language and/or an aggregate modeling language using an open client-
server architecture, which enables many users to control the behavior of individual objects or
agents and to view the aggregated results on a central computer. This network of agents is
integrated with a powerful suite of modeling, analysis and display tools that together give
agents the capacity to "fly" the system in intuitive mode, to reflect on the emergent result of
their simulation and, also, to encode their strategies as rules which the system can then run
independently.